

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

In the Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A chemically ~~synthesized~~ modified double-stranded short interfering ribonucleic ~~nucleic~~ acid (siRNA) molecule comprising a complementary sense strand and an antisense strand, wherein:
 - a. said sense strand and said antisense strand are each independently about ~~19~~ 14 to ~~29~~ 28 nucleotides in length; and
 - b. said antisense strand comprises about 14 to 28 nucleotides that are nucleotide-sequence complementary to nucleic acid sequence encoding a vascular endothelial growth factor receptor 1 (VEGFr1) nucleotide sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO:2752 or a portion thereof and vascular endothelial growth factor receptor 2 (VEGFr2) nucleotide sequence corresponding to SEQ ID NO:2752 or a portion thereof;
 - c. said sense strand of said siRNA molecule comprises a portion of said VEGFr1 and VEGFr2 nucleotide sequence of about 18 to about 27 nucleotides; and
 - d. said siRNA molecule comprises at least one 2'-O-methyl or 2'-deoxy-2'-fluoro nucleotide[,].
2. (Canceled)
3. (Currently amended) The ~~double-stranded nucleic acid~~ siRNA molecule of claim 1, wherein said ~~double-stranded nucleic acid~~ siRNA molecule comprises ribonucleotides.
4. (Canceled)
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12. (Canceled)
13. (Canceled)
14. (Currently amended) The ~~double-stranded nucleic acid~~ siRNA molecule of claim 1, wherein purine nucleotides in the sense strand are 2'-deoxy purine nucleotides.
15. (Currently amended) The ~~double-stranded nucleic acid~~ siRNA molecule of claim 1, wherein ~~the one or more~~ pyrimidine nucleotides present in the sense strand are 2'-deoxy-2'-fluoro pyrimidine nucleotides.
16. (Currently amended) The ~~double-stranded nucleic acid~~ siRNA molecule of claim 1, wherein the sense strand includes a terminal cap moiety at the 5'-end, the 3'-end, or both of the 5' and 3' ends of the sense strand.
17. (Currently amended) The ~~double-stranded nucleic acid~~ siRNA molecule of claim 16, wherein said terminal cap moiety is an inverted deoxy abasic moiety.
18. (Currently amended) The ~~double-stranded nucleic acid~~ siRNA molecule of claim 1, wherein ~~the one or more~~ pyrimidine nucleotides present in said antisense strand are 2'-deoxy-2'-fluoro pyrimidine nucleotides.
19. (Currently amended) The ~~double-stranded nucleic acid~~ siRNA molecule of claim 1, wherein ~~the one or more~~ purine nucleotides present in said antisense strand are 2'-O-methyl purine nucleotides.
20. (Currently amended) The ~~double-stranded nucleic acid~~ siRNA molecule of claim 1, wherein ~~the one or more~~ purine nucleotides present in said antisense strand comprise 2'-deoxy- purine nucleotides.

21. (Currently amended) The ~~double-stranded nucleic acid~~ siRNA molecule of claim 1, wherein said antisense strand comprises a phosphorothioate internucleotide linkage at the 3' end of said antisense strand.
22. (Currently amended) The ~~double-stranded nucleic acid~~ siRNA molecule of claim 1, wherein said antisense strand comprises a terminal cap moiety at the 3' end of said antisense strand.
23. (Currently amended) The ~~double-stranded nucleic acid~~ siRNA molecule of claim 22, wherein said terminal cap comprises an inverted deoxyabasic moiety.
24. (Canceled)
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31. (Canceled)
32. (Currently amended) The ~~double-stranded nucleic acid~~ siRNA molecule of claim 1, wherein the 5'-end of the antisense strand optionally includes a terminal phosphate group.
33. (Canceled)
34. (Canceled)

35. (Currently amended) A composition comprising the ~~double-stranded nucleic acid~~
siRNA molecule of claim 1 in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.